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YOU...

YOU...

YOU'RE A DRAGON!

BUT WHY ARE YOU HERE?

I'D HEARD DRAGONS DON'T INTERFERE IN OTHER RACES' DISPUTES?

This horrible bloodlust...?!
Why does he hate humans...?
I APPLAUD YOUR EMPTY PRIDE.
HUMAN...

...

SIMPLY LIVING OUT YOUR LIVES IN THOSE DIMINUTIVE BODIES WASN'T ENOUGH FOR YOU..

YOU DARED TO ATTACK A FIGURE WHOSE PRESENCE YOU ARE UNWORTHY TO STAND BEFORE?

W-WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

BUT THIS IS THE END OF YOUR BOUNDLESS GREED.

YOU'VE GONE TOO FAR!

HAVE BUSIED YOURSELVES WITH THE SLAUGHTER OF OUR YOUNG BRETHEN. AND STILL WE DID NOTHING.

YOU HUMANS...

ESPECIALLY THOSE SO-CALLED DRAGON SLAYERS...

WE ATTRIBUTED IT TO THE IGNORANCE AND PRIDE OF MORTALS.

BUT YOU HUMANS REALLY DID NOT KNOW WHEN TO STOP.

So... that's what happened?

YOU HAD THE AUDACITY TO TRESPASS INTO OUR LAIR...

AND ATTACK LORD KURONUS'S HATCHLINGS AS WELL...!

After the war against the Army of Darness, many warriors began slaying monsters to prove their strength.

They did not content themselves with monster-slaying however, but formed "parties" with magicians and roamed around the kingdom of Teluhania hunting dragons.

But to think they went after the Dragon Lord's hatchlings...!

AFTER LOSING HIS HATCHLING LORD KURONUS...

DECIDED TO PUNISH YOU INSOLENT HUMANS!

AND WE WILL FOLLOW HIS ORDERS AND COMMENCE THE ATTACK!

STARTING HERE, IN BERUHAJELL WE WILL ELIMINATE EVERY LAST HUMAN BEING!

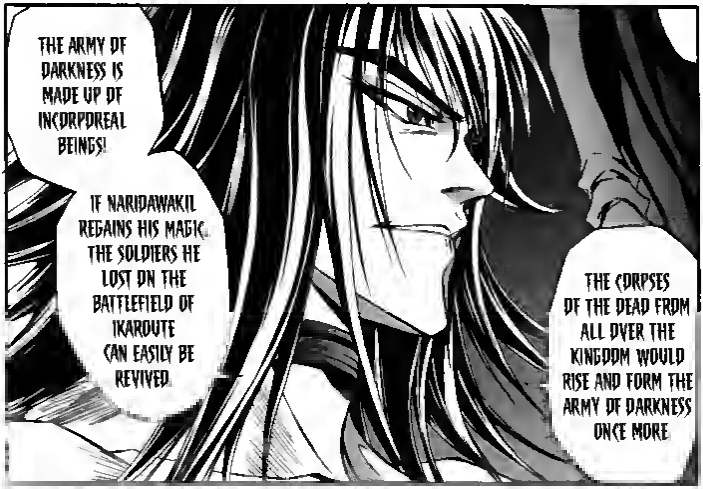
UNTIL YOUR SEED IS WIPED OFF THE FACE OF TELUBANIA.

Have we already passed the boiling point...?! Looking at the situation, I don't think we can avoid a war with the dragons...

BUT I CAN NOT ALLOW YOU TO WIPE OUT THE HUMAN RACE.
FIRST, LET ME SAY THAT I'M SORRY FOR THE DEATH OF THE HATCHLING.
BUT YOU WON'T ACHIEVE YOUR GOAL.
IT APPEARS THAT YOU'VE TEAMED UP WITH THE ORCS IN ORDER TO BOLSTER YOUR NUMBERS..
HUMANITY WAS ABLE TO DEFEAT THE DEMON LORD AND HIS ARMY OF DARKNESS!
EVEN IF YOU ALIGN YOURSELF WITH THE ORCS, YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO BEAT US!

SUCH VAINGLORY
ARE YOU REALLY SO PROUD JUST BECAUSE YOU ROUTED NARIDAWAKIL ONCE?
IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN A SINGLE BATTLE, BUT NARIDAWAKIL HAS GONE TO
THIS IS PROOF THAT THE DEMON LORD NARIDAWAKIL HAS LOST ALL OF HIS POWERS
HAHAHA
HAHAHA
HAHAHAHA
...?!

HAHA...
HAHA...
HOW FOOLISH.


THE ARMY OF DARKNESS IS MADE UP OF INCORPOREAL BEINGS!
IF NARIDAWAKIL REGAINS HIS MAGIC, THE SOLDIERS HE LOST ON THE BATTLEFIELD OF IKAROUTE CAN EASILY BE REVIVED.
THE CORPSES OF THE DEAD FROM ALL OVER THE KINGDOM WOULD RISE AND FORM THE ARMY OF DARKNESS ONCE MORE

YOU HUMANS WERE IGNORANT OF THIS AND LET HIM ESCAPE.
YOU HAVE NO IDEA OF THE MAGNITUDE OF THAT ERROR.
W-WHAT...
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?

OH MY. I HAVE SPENT TOO MUCH TIME TALKING TO YOU.
I SHOULD FINISH YOU OFF QUICKLY AND HEAD BACK.

That... that's?!

I'LL JUST GET TO THE POINT!!

HE'S SHIFTING INTO HIS DRAGON FORM IN THIS TINY SPACE...!

BLACK...
BLACK DRAGON!!

KNOW THIS, MANLING...
THE ONE WHO STOPPED NARIDAWAKIL FROM GATHERING HIS ARMY ONCE MORE IN PERUSIA WAS OUR DRAGON LORD KURONUS!
HE USED HIS POWERS TO SEAL NARIDAWAKIL AWAY.
HE DID IT TO SAVE THE KINGDOM OF TELUBANIA FROM THE DARKNESS!

BUT BECAUSE YOU KILLED OUR LORD'S HATCHLING, YOU LOST HIS FAVOR.

THE ONE WHO SEALED AWAY NARIDAWAKIL... WAS THE DRAGON LORD...?!

THAT CAN'T BE POSSIBLE!

NOW, YOUR FATE HAS BEEN DECIDED.

OF COURSE, EVEN THE HUMANS ACROSS THE WATER IN THE KINGDOM OF ARUKADIA WILL NOT BE SPARED

WE ARE HERE UNDER ORDERS FROM THE RED DRAGON LORD BERGRIS TO TAKE AWAY THE CONTRACT WE HAVE MADE WITH YOU

ALL THE DRAGONS WHO FOLLOW LORD KURONUS ARE HERE.YOUR DOOM IS INESCAPABLE.

AS WE HAVE DONE TO THE ORCS IN THE PAST...

WE WILL NOW DO TO YOU. WE WILL TAKE BACK OUR CONTRACT WITH THE HUMANS AND OFFER IT TO THE ORC'S.

SO THAT'S IT!

THAT'S WHY YOU'RE HERE...

IT'S TO TAKE BACK THE CONTRACT...!

DISAPPEAR, HUMAN!!

THIS IS THE END!

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ACID BREATH!!
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HOLY BRILLANCE!!

OH HOW IMPRESSIVE!
UGH!!

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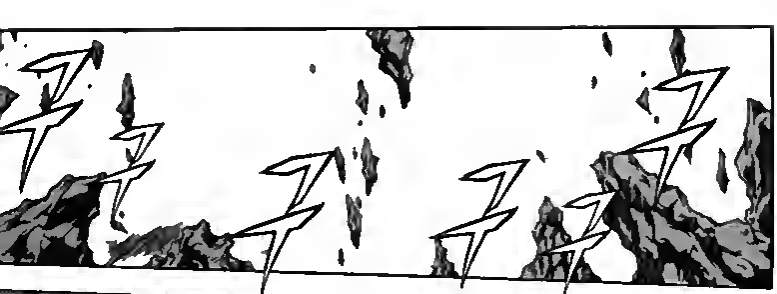


EFICLOISE-NIM! ARE YOU HURT?
HAH!
HA HAH!

IT...IT'S TOO LATE FOR ME. YOU MUST FLEE..
HUH!
HUH!
WE CAN'T DO THAT!
HOW CAN WE LEAVE THE HIGH PRIEST BEHIND?!

Th They...

I, the High Priest Eficloise, even used my special sinking cloud spell... and yet...

They don t even have a scratch on them!

How can they be so strong?

I'M DISAPPOINTED.
THE HIGH PRIEST OF BERUHAJELL...
CANNOT EVEN ENTERTAIN US...!
Red Dragon
RUCIKAE

WHAT?!
HOW INSOLENT!
HOW... DARE YOU SAY SUCH A THING TO THE HIGH PRIEST?!
NO!!
WITH YOUR SKILL, YOU CANNOT WIN AGAINST THE RED DRAGON'S MAGIC!!

WE'RE ALL SWORD MASTERS HERE! WE WON'T BE DEFEATED SO EASILY!
EVEN IF I DIE, I'LL MAKE SURE TO RUN YOU THROUGH WITH THIS SWORD!

HMPH! PESKY INSECTS.
TO TRUST IN A PIECE OF METAL AND SCURRY ABOUT!

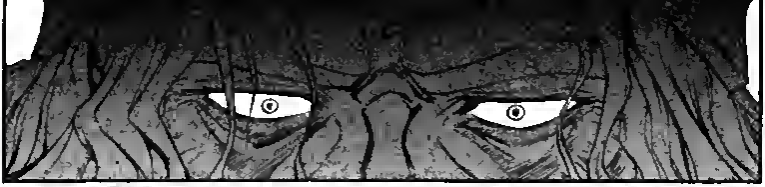
DIE...!!
DOUBLE HELL BLAZE!

If only the protective magic cast on their armor would work even a little !!!
SOUL ANNIHILATION!!

WH...
WHAT!!
IF IT'D LASTED...
A LITTLE LONGER...!
UUWAAAA!!

DEAR ME! PLEASE BE A LITTLE MORE CONSIDERATE WHEN YOU DIE, SWORD MASTERS. YOUR FOUL BLOOD HAS STAINED MY CLOTHS...

WH... WHAT?!
HOW...?!



The lives of so many magicians and sword masters who fought to protect the contract Beruhajell-nim gave us...
...All taken down by one dragon...!!

DON'T WORRY. SINCE YOU ARE THE HIGH PRIEST, I'LL GRANT YOU A QUICK DEATH!

THERE'S NO PLACE TO STEP AROUND HERE AFTER ALL THIS DESTRUCTION.
OH, MY...

BERUKIS-NIM!
Gold Dragon
RENIOUS
Red Dragon
BERUKIS
White Dragon
DIMONES
Blue Dragon
MUSHIOUS

YOU COULD HAVE ENDED EVERYTHING WITH A EEW HELLEIRE...

BUT IT SEEMS YOU STILL ENJOY PLAYING AROUND, RED DRAGON RUCIKAE-NIM.

BUT ISN'T THAT BORING?

EVEN I WOULD HAVE DONE THE SAME THING AS RUCIKAE-NIM!

TO TOY WITH THOSE PUNY HUMANS, AND THEN GIVE THEM A SLOW DEATH! THAT'S THE FUN PART!

I LOVE SEEING THE FEAR ETCHED ONTO THEIR FAEES!!

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FOR A YOUNG WYRM LIKE YOU, IT MAY BE AMUSING TO TOY WITH HUMANS, BUT...

BUT EOR ANCIENTS LIKE US, EVEN THAT, LOSES ITS APPEAL...

HMPH! EVEN WHEN I'LL BE ANCIENT, I'LL STILL TOY WITH HUMANS!

ORCS, OGRES AND TROLLS ARE STUPID, SO IT'S NO FUN...

SIGH...

DWARFS AND ELVES ARE A LITTLE MORE INTERESTING, BUT...

Orc Lord
Ruikek

THERE'S NO CONTEST ON HOW ENJOYABLE IT IS TO TORMENT HUMANS. HEHE!

ESPECIALLY THOSE MAGICIANS AND WARRIORS.

THOSE WHO BELIEVE THEY HAVE SOME TALENT ARE THE MOST FUN!!

KYAHAHA HAHA!!

To treat those scary human magicians and warriors as playthings !

THAT IS TRUE.

HUMANS HAVE INDEED BECOME WEAK.

FOR THE HIGH PRIEST OF BERUHAJELL'S SKILLS TO BE SO PALTRY...

IT IS TRULY A WONDER THAT THESE FEEBLE HUMANS...

...ONLY HAVE TO GATHER IN NUMBERS TO DISPLAY THEIR POWER.

Even as a dragon, I felt fear momentarily.
Discussing humanity's power before Berukis-nim was a mistake.

THE DISTURBANCE HERE HAS BEEN QUELLED. LET US GO BACK TO THE MIDDLE CONTINENT.

HEHE. AT LAST, THE CONTRACT...

LET'S GO TOGETHER, BERUKIS NIM!
HMPH! LOOK AT YOU NOW!
THINKING BACK ON THE LAST WAR, EVEN IF I COOKED AND ATE YOU, MY RESENTMENT WOULDN'T BE QUENCHED.

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HMM~ SO THIS PLACE IS...
THE TEMPLE OF BERUHAJELL!
THEY'VE BEEN QUITE BUSY.
THEY'VE SET UP A NUMBER OF PROTECTIVE BARRIERS HERE.
HEH,
THEY JUST PUT A BUNCH OF DIFFERENT SPELLS IN PLACE.
BUT TO US WHO CREATED MAGIC THIS IS CHILD'S PLAY.

HU!
OH, FINE.
IF I DON'T LET YOU, LATER ON YOU'LL...
BERUKIS-NIM! LET ME DO IT!
RELEASE!
The existence of Dragons... The more I see of them, the more they scare me....!
LOOKS TASTY!
SO CUTE!
YOU GUYS WANNA DIE?!
To be able to dispel the numerous spells cast by the best magicians in the world, with one simple word...

NOW...
MISSION ACCOMPLISHED. HELLFIRE!!

THAT WAS DANGEROUS.
R-R-RIGHT...
To melt that thick metal with such ease.

NOW, LET'S GO LOOK FOR THE CONTRACT, SHALL WE~?
OF...OF COURSE...!
HA HAHA

TRULY AMAZING!

AH! THERE IT IS!

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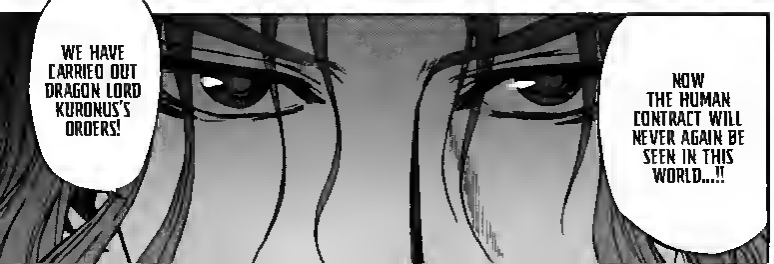
SO THIS IS...
THE HUMAN CONTRACT...!!


WE HAVE CARRIED OUT DRAGON LORD KURONUS'S ORDERS!
NOW THE HUMAN CONTRACT WILL NEVER AGAIN BE SEEN IN THIS WORLD...!!

BERUKIS-NIM. THERE'S NOT MUCH TIME LEFT.
COUNTLESS NUMBERS OF HUMAN SOLDIERS HAVE SURROUNDED THE PLACE.

WE'RE DOING OUR BEST, BUT BECAUSE OF THEIR NUMBERS, IT SEEMS QUITE DIFFICULT.
IT APPEARS THEY HAVE ALMOST MADE IT PAST THE ORC ARMY.

IS...
IS THAT TRUE?!

FOOLS! WHAT WOULD KURONUS-NIM THINK IF HE HEARS ABOUT THIS?

HOW CAN THOSE PUNY HUMANS PUSH A DRAGON BACK?

BUT THE HUMANS HERE ARE TRULY PERSISTENT.

NO MATTER HOW MANY WE KILL, MORE JUST KEEP COMING

OF COURSE.

AFTER ALL, THEIR PRECIOUS CONTRACT IS IN DANGER.

OH, HOW PRETTY

OY..

FINE!

I'M GOING TO SET UP A TELEPORTATION CIRCLE. EVERYONE GATHER HERE

UNDER-STOOD.

It's true that we, the all-powerful dragons, have thought little of the weak human race...
But after fighting with the human priest, their power exceeded my expecta-tions...

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PROTECT THE CONTRACT!
NO MATTER WHAT THE COST, WE MUST PROTECT THE CONTRACT FROM THE DRAGONS!

HEH...SUCH IRKSOME CREATURES.
NO MATTER HOW MANY I STAMP OUT, MORE KEEP CRAWLING BACK... HOW CAN THIS BE?!
Green Dragon
GRADIAS

IT SEEMS YOU DON'T KNOW HOW TO DEAL WITH HUMANS!
?!
IF YOU WANT BUGS TO SCURRY, YOU HAVE TO SHOW THEM TRUE FEAR!
SHOW THESE HUMANS THAT WHATEVER THEY DO IS FUTILE!
Blue Dragon
DEMITULIOUS

I BET THIS IS YOUR FIRST TIME SEEING SOMETHING LIKE THIS, HUMANS!

100% LEVELED UP!

SUPER,

ULTRA,

MEGA,

HELLFIRE!!

...PLEASE CONTROL YOUR-SELF...

UGH!!

WHAT... WHAT IS THAT?!

HELL...

HELLFIRE?!

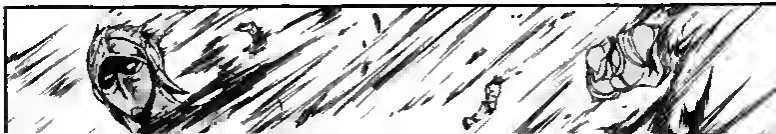
THIS DOESN'T MAKE SENSE. I'VE NEVER SEEN SUCH MASSIVE HELLFIRE BEFORE.

HOW IS SUCH A THING POSSIBLE...?!

FEEL THIS HUMANS!

THE POWER OF MY ENCHANTED HELLFIRE!

UGH!
UWAAH!



KUHAHAHA! HOW WAS IT? BLUE DRAGON DEMITULIOUS'S HELLFIRE?

KUHA HAHA!!

...

HAHAHAHA!!

UGH!!

HOW CAN THIS BE? DO THESE HUMANS NOT FEAR DEATH?!

THAT'S WHY I SAID IT WAS USELESS...

IT SEEMS YOU ARE HAVING TROUBLE.

BERUKIS-NIM ORDERED A RETREAT BACK TO THE TELEPORTATION CIRCLE.

ARE WE GOING BACK?

OY, RUSLERUNT!

YOU CAME JUST ON TIME!!

EKPLAIN THIS!
WHY DON'T THOSE HUMANS HAVE ANY FEAR? EVEN THOUGH I USED MY ENCHANTED HELLEIRE. THEY JUST KEEP COMING! I EAN'T GO BACK LIKE THIS!
BERUKIS-NIM EXPLAINED THIS ALREADY. THAT IS JUST THE WAY HUMANS ARE.
THEY ARE ARROGANT AND IGNORANT, BUT FOR THE GOOD OF HUMAN KIND, THEY DO NOT FEAR EVEN DEATH!
TEH!
EVEN THOUGH WE DRAGONS ARE EAR SUPERIOR, WE EANNOT WIN AGAINST THEIR NUMBERS.
DON'T FORGET THAT WAS THE REASON WE ALLIED OURSELVES WITH THE ORES.
IT HAS BEEN 10 YEARS.
SINCE WE ALLIED WITH THE ORCS IN ORDER TO ELIMINATE THE HUMAN RACE!!

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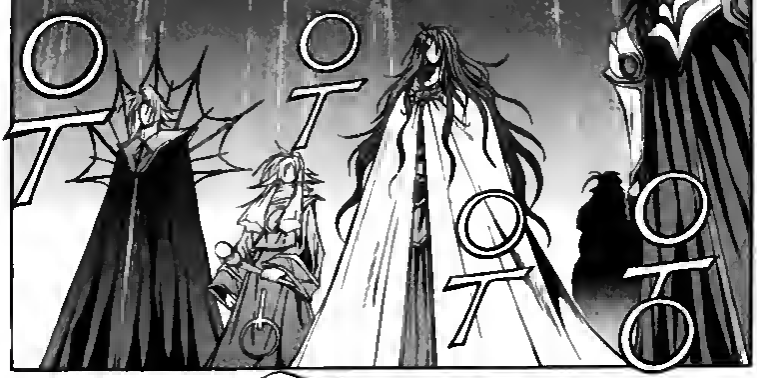
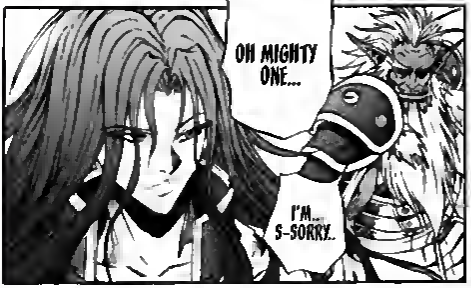
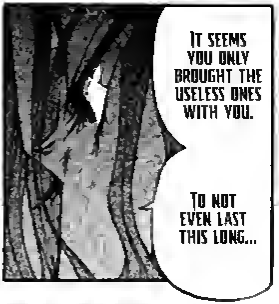



OH MIGHTY ONE...
I'M... S-SORRY.


IT SEEMS YOU ONLY BROUGHT THE USELESS ONES WITH YOU.
TO NOT EVEN LAST THIS LONG...

BUT MY LORD, WE TRIED OUR HARDEST
I BROUGHT ONLY THE BEST WITH ME.

SILENCE!!

IS THIS THE ORC'S CONTRACT?
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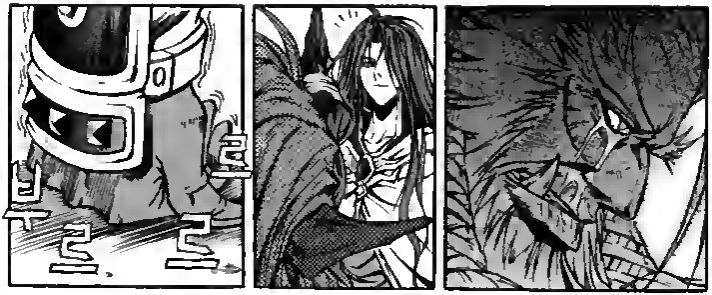
OH...
OHOH!
THAT... THAT'S THE CONTRACT THAT WAS STOLEN FROM US 50 YEARS AGO!!



It's already been 50 years since the human warrior, Crossen, stole our contract.

That's how long the proud orc race has been treated like dirt!

The contract we've been longing to find...!

After losing so many of our warriors, with the help of the dragons... We've finally gotten it back...!

AS PROMISED, I WILL RETURN THIS TO YOU.
WITH ONE CONDITION!

THE ORCS...
...MUST SERVE US DRAGONS FOR 1000 YEARS.

1000 YEARS...?!
TH... THAT'S...!!

YOU WILL BE AT THE FOREFRONT OF HUMANITY'S DESTRUCTION.

WITH AN ORC AND DRAGON ALLIANCE, WE WILL SHOW THE PUNY HUMANS TRUE FEAR!

ORC AND DRAGON

ALLIA-NCE!

WE WILL BAND TOGETHER WITH THE OTHER RACES OF THE TELUBANIAN KINGDOM TO OPPOSE THEM!

WE WILL WIPE HUMANS OFF THE FACE OF THIS EARTH.

WHAT DO YOU THINK...

...OF THIS PLAN?

To get revenge on them, I'd even spend 1000 years in hell!
There's no need to even think it over! My goal has always been to destroy the humans!
Good.
...WE ACCEPT YOUR PROPOSAL.
OH MIGHTY ONE...

WITH THIS, WE ARE NOW ALLIES.
!!

WE'RE BACK, BERUKIS-NIM.
I WAS TOLD YOU HAD TROUBLE WITH THE HUMANS.
AH, YES...
HAHA. THEY WERE LIKE COCK-ROACHES, CONSTANTLY COMING BACK.

THE DRAGONS HAVE RETREATED TO THE SQUARE!
AFTER THEM!!
PROTECT THE CONTRACT!

MY NAME IS BERUKIS.
IS THIS VOICE MANIPU-LATION MAGIC?!
I WILL ANNOUNCE THE GREAT KURONUS-NIM'S ORDERS.
!
RAGON ...

WE WILL WITHORAW FOR NOW...

BUT WE WILL RETURN IN 10 YEARS TIME.

IT'S TOO LATE...THE CONTRACT!

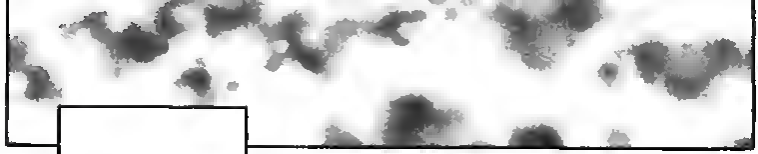
THEY HAVE THE CONTRACT...!!

WE WILL RETURN TO ERADICATE HUMANITY!!

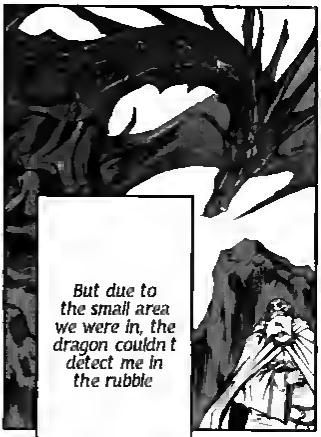
IN 10 YEARS...

THE DRAGONS...?!

UNTIL THEN, WE WILL ALLOW YOU TO KEEP ON LIVING LIKE INSECTS.



Back then, I barely survived my fight with the black dragon. No matter what I tried, it had no effect on him


But due to the small area we were in, the dragon couldn't detect me in the rubble

After I managed to escape from the dragon, I went in search of the contract.
But what I found instead was the body of our high priest in charge of protecting the holy temple.

Because of this, I witnessed the dragons taking the contract.

I SHED BLOODY TEARS FOR I WAS UNABLE TO DO ANYTHING.

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I'm a skilled lip reader. The movement of his lips... He's speaking another language for sure.

But what I'm hearing is my own language.

Damn. Putting aside everything else, it feels like I could be talking to an old friend.

Did he say it was translation magic? How strange.

AND A LAND CALLED TELLUBANIA...

THE GOD BERUHAJELL, CONTRACTS, DRAGONS, ORCS, MAGICIANS, WARRIORS, ECT....

FOR ME TO ACCEPT SUCH THINGS...

UGH! MY HEAD FEELS LIKE IT'S GOING TO EXPLODE-!

SO, TO SUMMARIZE WHAT YOU'VE TOLD ME..

THIS LAND OF TELLUBANIA HAS RACES OTHER THAN HUMANS LIVING IN IT.

AND THERE WAS A GREAT WAR BETWEEN ORCS AND HUMANS THAT LASTED 100 YEARS

YES, YOU'RE CORRECT.

BUT WHAT'S CONFUSING ME ARE THE ORCS.

YOU TOLD ME THEY HAVE HEADS LIKE PIGS AND THE BODIES OF WARRIORS, AND THAT THEY HAVE AMAZING STRENGTH...

.....

FOR THEM TO BE WAGING WAR AGAINST YOU FOR 100 YEARS, JUST DOESN'T MAKE SENSE.

THE ORCS...

MAY BE PHYSICALLY STRONGER...

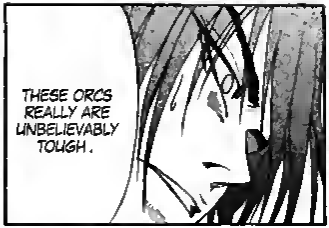
BUT WE MAKE UP FOR IT WITH INTELLIGENCE AND SPEED.

Orcs are able to fight from the time they're a year-old.

Yearlings have the same strength as a 15-year-old human with full armor and weapons

O...ONE YEAR-OLDS....

THAT CAN FIGHT?!



AS A RESULT, WE HUMANS THOUGHT WE'D LOSE THE WAR

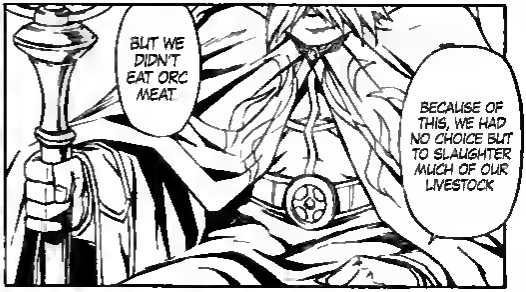
WHEN ORCS WERE KILLED, THE RACE WAS ABLE TO SURVIVE BY BREEDING, BUT HUMANS WEREN'T ABLE TO COPE

SO HUMANITY LOST ALL HOPE OF WINNING AGAINST THEM

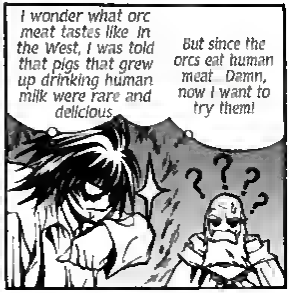
DURING THOSE TIMES, WE WITNESSED ORCS BURNING HUMAN SOLDIERS ALIVE.

WE TRULY THOUGHT IT WAS THE END OF THE HUMAN RACE.

ARE YOU TELLING ME THESE ORCS EAT HUMANS?!
YES, THAT'S RIGHT. SOMETIMES, THEY EVEN EAT ONE ANOTHER.


BUT WE DIDN'T EAT ORC MEAT.
BECAUSE OF THIS, WE HAD NO CHOICE BUT TO SLAUGHTER MUCH OF OUR LIVESTOCK

IN THE END, DUE TO LIMITED SUPPLIES...
WE TOO WERE FORCED TO EAT ORC MEAT.


I wonder what orc meat tastes like. In the West, I was told that pigs that grew up drinking human milk were rare and delicious.
But since the orcs eat human meat... Damn, now I want to try them!
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THAT WAS WHEN OUR SAVIOR APPEARED!!
SAVIOR?!
THE STRONGEST SWORD MASTER OF ALL TIMES...
LORD CROSSEN APPEARED BEFORE US!!
CROSSEN?

LORD CROSSEN...
THE GREATEST HERO OF ALL-TIMES
THE MAN WHO UNITED THE WHOLE HUMAN RACE WITH HIS POWER.

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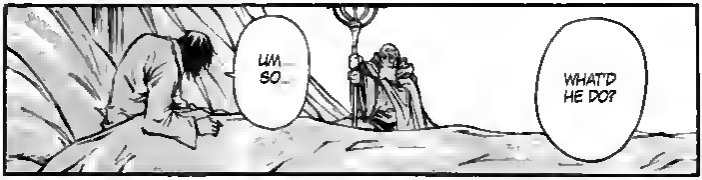
CHAPTER #5
LEGENDARY WARRIOR, LORD CROSSEN

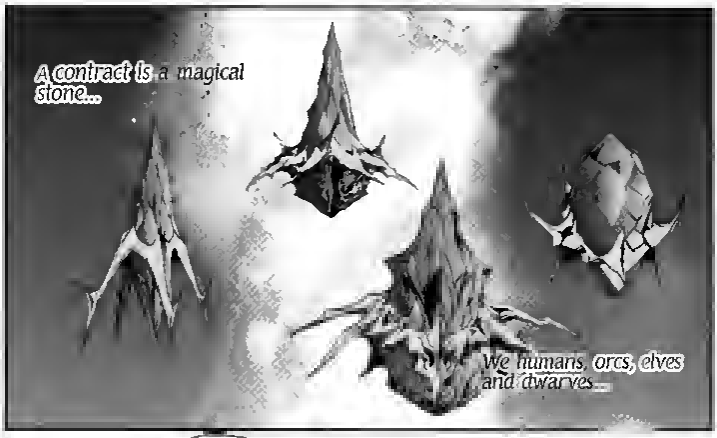
LORD CROSSEN?
YES, THAT'S RIGHT.
IT'S THANKS TO HIM WE WERE ABLE TO TURN THE TIDES AND DEFEAT THE ORCS DURING THE GREAT WAR!

HE'S TRULY WORTHY OF BEING CALLED A LEGENDARY HERO!

HE LED US TO GREATNESS IN TELUBANIA. HE'S SOMEONE WHO NO ONE COULD HOPE TO EQUAL EVEN IN 1000 YEARS.



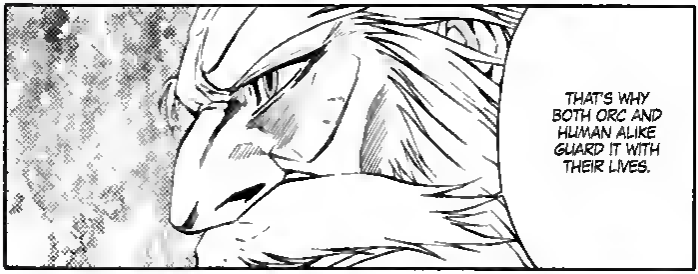
I'D WONDERED ABOUT THAT.
WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL WITH CONTRACTS AROUND HERE?


A contract is a magical stone...
We humans, orcs, elves and dwarves...

WERE GIVEN BY OUR LORD BERUHAJELL, AS HIS COVENANT THAT HE'LL PROTECT US.

AMAZING
THAT A STONE LIKE THAT EXISTS.

A CONTRACT...
IS ONE OF A RACE'S MOST PRECIOUS POSSESSIONS.


THAT'S WHY BOTH ORC AND HUMAN ALIKE GUARD IT WITH THEIR LIVES.

BUT IT WAS LORD CROSSEN WHO LED THE ARMY TO STEAL THE ORC'S CONTRACT.
HMM...
WHILE BATTLING THOUSANDS OF ORCS, HE MANAGED TO TAKE IT.

That event marked a turning point in the war.
It was during the height of the war that he led a few of our greatest warriors into the heart of orcen territory.
A place where thousands of orcs stood ready to protect their land.
It was there that the greatest battle in history occurred.

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H-HEY!
LOOK AT THAT!!

WHAT'S A HUMAN DOING IN OUR TERRITORY...?!

HE'S A BRAVE ONE!
FOR HIM TO EVEN STEP FOOT IN THIS PLACE!!
I'LL TEAR YOU TO PIECES.

WARRIORS!
YES, MASTER!

THE ORCS YOU SEE BEFORE YOU NOW...
DO NOT LEAVE EVEN A SINGLE ONE ALIVE!

AS YOU COMMAND!

LET'S GO!!

KILL ALL THOSE COCKY HUMANS!
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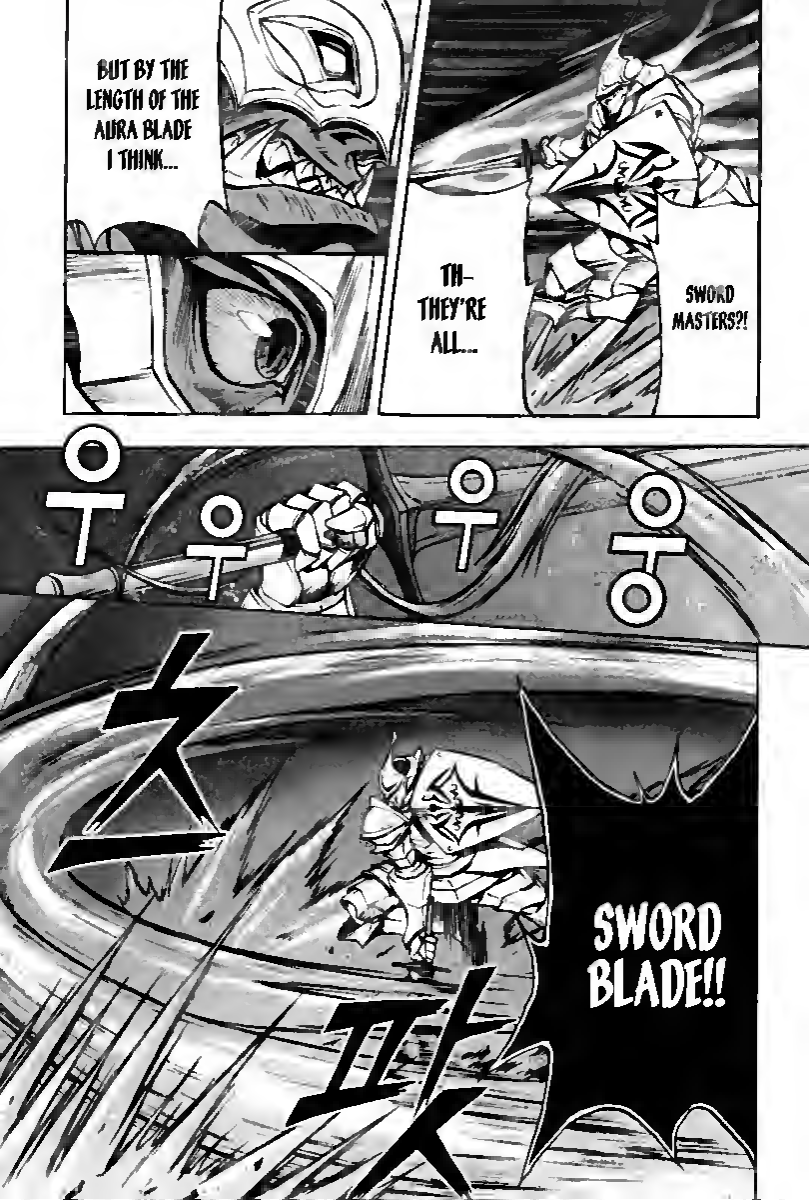
HUH! TH-THAT'S AN...!!
AURA...
AURA BLADE?!


BUT BY THE LENGTH OF THE AURA BLADE I THINK...
TH- THEY'RE ALL...
SWORD MASTERS?!
SWORD BLADE!!

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SEND OUT THE GUARDS!
STOP THEM!
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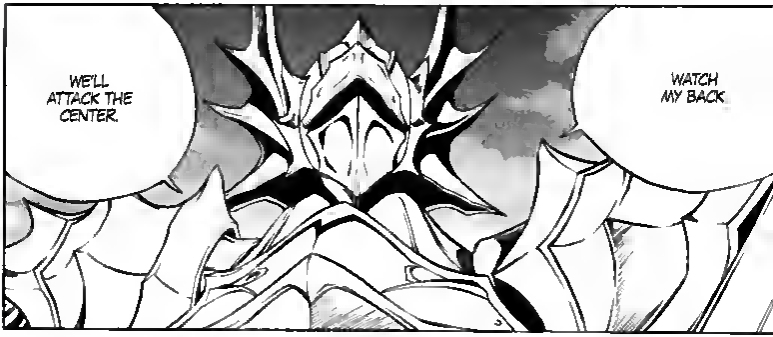
UGH?!

AHH!!
ARE THEY TOO TOUGH EVEN FOR THE GUARDS?! SEND OUT THE GRAND GUARDS!!
TH-THEY ARE!!

BE CAREFUL!
IT'S THE GRAND GUARDS!
A GRAND GUARD IS ABOUT FIVE TIMES AS STRONG AS AN ORDINARY GUARD.

WITH THE GRAND GUARDS' AMAZING SPEED AND STRENGTH, IT'S IMPOSSIBLE FOR EVEN THREE SWORD MASTERS
TO TAKE ONE ON WITHOUT THE HELP OF A MAGE
ARE YOU GOING MASTER?


WE'LL ATTACK THE CENTER.
WATCH MY BACK.

YES, MASTER!!

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EVERYONE, GET HIM!
THAT ONE LOOKS LIKE THE LEADER!
UGH?!
UGH!!

GAH! A-AURA BLADE...!!
IT, IT CAN'T BE...
A GRAND SWORD MASTER?!

W-WAIT!
HMM? WHAT'S WRONG?
WHAT'S A GRAND SWORD MASTER?

WARRIORS WHO HAVE OBTAINED SUCH INCREDIBLE POWER THROUGH LONG TRAINING THAT THEY CAN IMBUE THEIR SWORD AND SHIELD WITH MANA...
. ARE CALLED SWORD MASTERS

AURA BLADE
IN OTHER WORDS, INFUSING THE BLADE WITH MANA SO THAT IT CUTS THROUGH STEEL LIKE A RADISH.
THEY ARE MASTERS WITH INCOMPARABLE SKILL.

Is he talking about Kum Ki*...

Or about Kung Kang?*

*KUM KI/KUNG KANG: LESSER AND GREATER SWORD ENERGY RESPECTIVELY

IT'S A LEVEL OF MARTIAL ARTS SO DIFFICULT FOR WARRIORS TO ATTAIN...

THAT THERE ARE ONLY A FEW SWORD MASTERS IN ALL OF TELUBANIA

BUT LORD CROSSEN ATTAINED THE LEVEL OF GRAND SWORD MASTER, WHICH IS EVEN ABOVE THAT.

IT'S UNDER-STANDABLE THAT HE BE CALLED A GOD OF THE SWORD

Back home, I was instantly able to form an aura blade over three feet long
According to this guy, the size of this Lord Crossen's aura blade was incredible.
*HWA GEUNG. ATTAINMENT OF A BODLY STATE IN TERMS OF MARTIAL ARTS OR LITERATURE
If what he says is true, compared to someone from the central district, he's an expert who's attained 'Hwa Geung.*'
A master born once or twice in a hundred years, even back home!

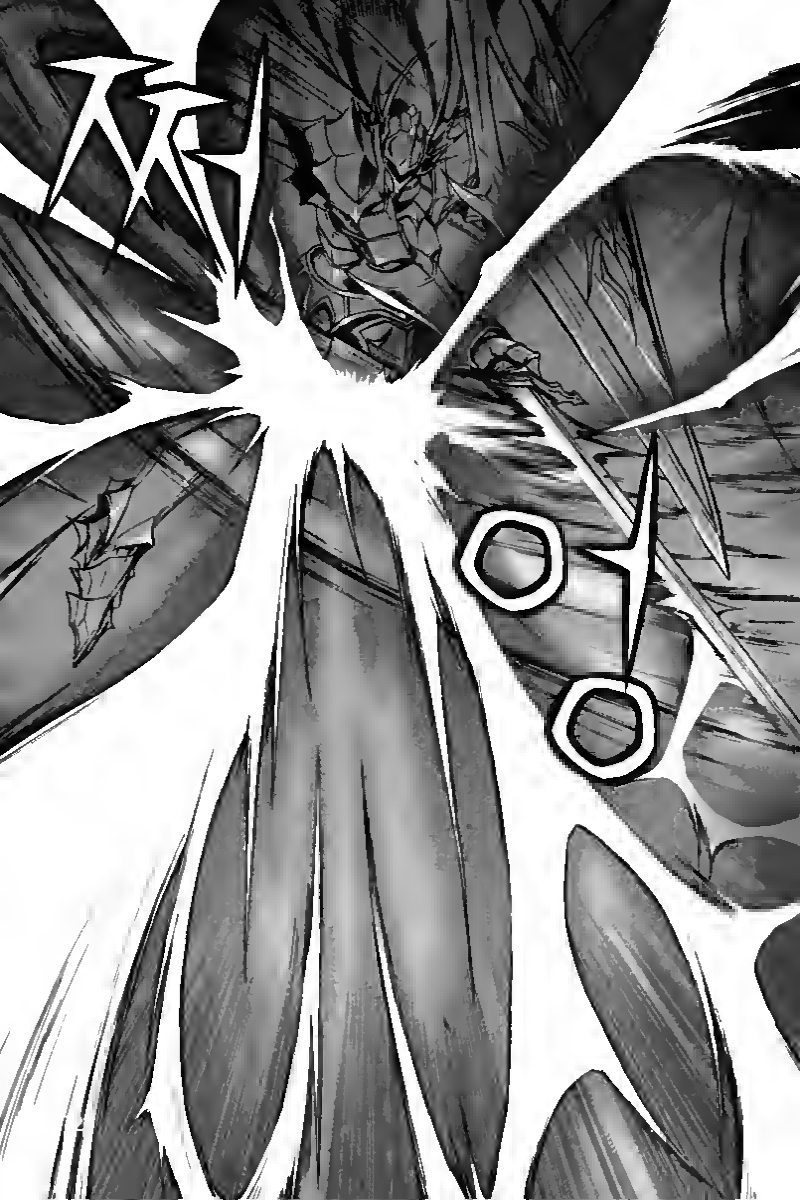
Even in a world different from my own there's someone with such talent...
I hate to admit it but it seems like he's a master who's a notch higher than me

!

Tsk! What's with these pointless thoughts...
Right now, my body's no different than a regular person's

SO, GO ON AND TELL ME HOW HE SLAUGHTERED..
THOSE BERSERKER ORCS
YES, CERTAINLY

HA HA HA !!
WHAT ARE YOU...
DON'T JUST LEAVE THAT KNIGHT BASTARD ALONE, BRING HIM DOWN! THROW YOUR WEAPONS AT HIM!



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KU-UGH!!
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ARGH!
KUUGHUUUGH!!

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RIDICULOUS
I'VE NEVER HEARD OF THIS!
A SWORD MASTER WHO'S ABLE TO USE AURA BLADE ON THIS LEVEL!

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ARE... ARE YOU...
REALLY HUMAN?!

HOW... HOW CAN A HUMAN BE THIS STRONG?

NOT EVEN SEVEN CIRCLE MAGES OR SWORD MASTERS COULD HANDLE THAT ONE BERSERKER ALONE...

ALL THOSE ORCS WITH ONE BLOW OF HIS AURA BLADE...!!

...!!

IS THIS FOR REAL...

YOU MEAN TO TELL ME THAT YOU GUYS ARE THE HUMAN'S STRONGEST ELITE FORCE?

THAT MEANS...

YOUR GOAL IS...

WHAT'S...

HIDDEN IN THE HEART OF THE ORC CLAN.

THE ORC CONTRACT!

I WON'T LET YOU DO THAT!

HIYA!
DIE, HUMAN!!

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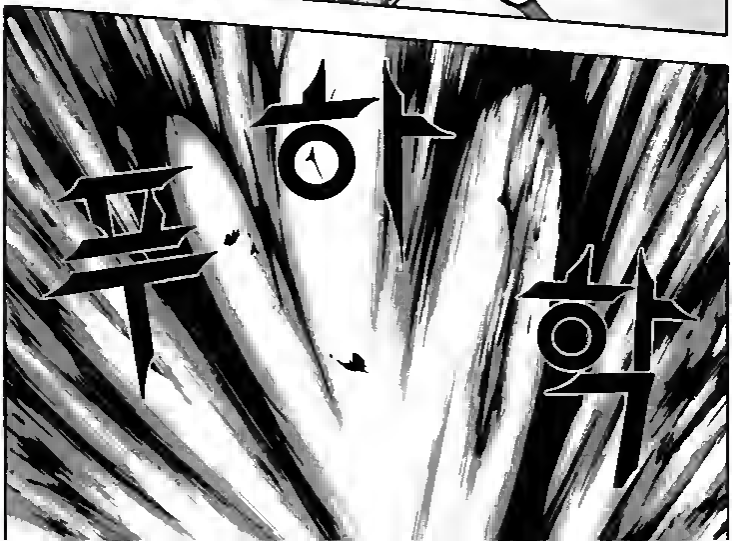
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Due to the hero of the century, Lord Crossen's pilfering of the contract stone, the situation changed in an instant. Losing their contract meant that the orcs would no longer be under Verhajel's protection. Because of this, the orc warriors lost their will to fight.
They were brave and ruthless warriors, but after losing their contract, they became simple, barbaric monsters. This news spread all over the battlefield, and contrary to the orcs, the human warriors' morale received a great boost.

SOLDIERS, NOW VERHAJEL'S BLESSING IS UPON US. ONLY WE MAY ENJOY THIS HONOR.

LET US DISPOSE OF THE ORC TRASH WHO FORFEITED VERHAJEL'S PROTECTION.

With Lord Crossen's feat, human warriors united as never before and began pushing back the orc clan

On the front lines, Crossen's knights took the lead

Even after this, a protracted 20-year war ensued. At the end of a horrible, bloody battle, humans managed to destroy the orcs' main forces

In the final bloody clash on the great plains of Plouru, the orc forces were decimated and had to flee tragically.

After losing so many of their kind, and with few survivors left, the orc clan had no choice but to go into hiding to the west of the Perusian mountains where the soil was poor.

THERE'S NO RECORD OF WHERE LORD CROSSEN IS FROM, OR WHERE HE LEARNED HIS SWORD SKILLS

ACCORDING TO THE PEOPLE AROUND HIM, HE ACCIDENTLY CAME THROUGH AN OPENED DIMENSIONAL GATE.

AND IS A SOMEONE FROM A DIFFERENT WORLD

WE BELIEVE THAT LIKE YOU, HE CAME FROM THE JUK-RYUNG PLAINS.

WHA, WHAT?

JUK-RYUNG PLAINS?!

ARE YOU SAYING THAT LORD CROSSEN...
IS ONE OF OUR JUK-RYUNG PLAINS WARRIOR?!
I BELIEVE THAT TO BE THE CASE.
Judging by Lord Crossen's normal manner of speech and...
The items he had in his possession when he arrived here
I WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT HIM IN DETAIL.

FROM HERE ON OUT...
I'LL TELL YOU EVERYTHING.
ABOUT LORD CROSSEN

DARK MAGE

PARODY NUMBER ONE!!

SUBTITLE: SEVEN KINDS PROHIBITION TECHNIQUE?

The Shaolin's greatest sealing technique that dogs the mighty Sung Dokgo like a shadow...It is known as the "Seven Arts Seal".

Whenever Sung Dokgo thought about the Shaolin's He Jung, who cast that spell, his head would ache.

UGH! MY HEAD AGAIN...!

ARE YOU OKAY HIGH PRIEST?

There's an unspeakable pain associated with the Seven Arts Seal.

I CAN'T TELL ANYONE ABOUT THIS, NO MATTER WHAT!!

About 20 years ago...

I WILL PERSONALLY PERFORM THE SHAOLIN'S SEAL HERE

IF I DO, COULD YOU SPARE THIS CHILD'S LIFE?

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The Seven Drunks seal?!

MASTER...

ARE, ARE YOU SERIOUS?!

An alcohol brewing technique secretly passed down among those of the Shaolin temple that utilizes seven of the best kinds of remedies—Chil Jong Dam Geum Sull The legendary liquor that no one from the central district has seen in a thousand years!

The legendary alcohol that keeps you energized for 100 days and nights without rest...Alcohol every man in the central district dreams of drinking!!
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A YOUNG SUNG DOKGO
NOW, LET'S DRINK ALL NIGHT LONG!
...
NOW, THEN...
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LET'S SEE WHAT MUG! DOKGO'S SON LOOKS LIKE? BURP-
YOU FAKE MONK WHO KILLS AND DRINKS! STAY AWAY FROM ME!!
UH HUH, YOU LITTLE...! YOU HAVE ROTTEN ATTITUDE!
KIDS LIKE YOU...
ONLY SEE REASON AFTER GETTING BEAT LIKE THIS!
UUUUUUG ...!!
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Afterwards, interestingly enough whenever Sung Dokgo formed the intent to kill he got a headache
This is residual trauma from that time!
My brain cells must have died for sure after I got beat up back then by that fake monk!!

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Rhea is a street fighter. She has weights on her arms, which reduce her speed, but add quite a bit strength to her punches... the chains can be removed depending of the opponent. (Her name is from the Greek Mythology. Rhea is a Titaness, a daughter of Uranus and Gaia, named as "mother of the gods". Rhea and Cronus took the throne as King and Queen of the Gods. This time was called the Golden Age)
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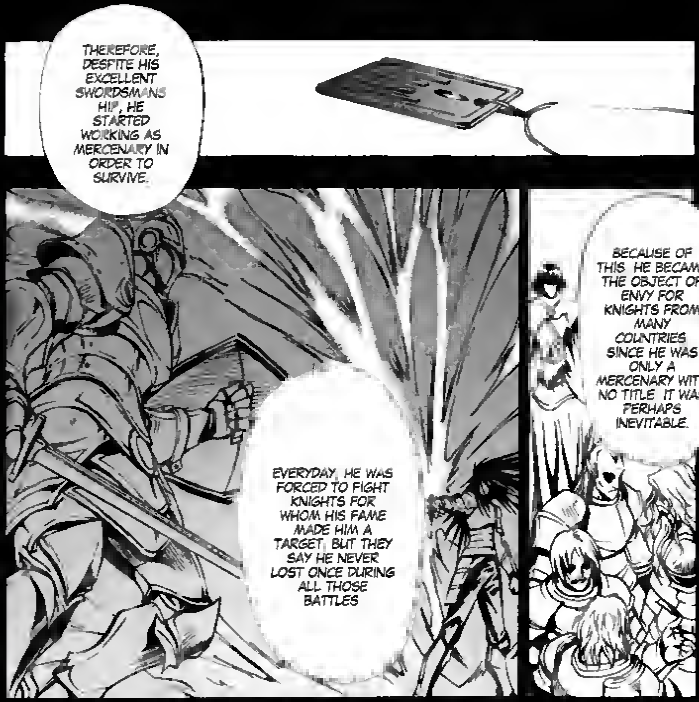
CHAPTER #6

Dragon laughs at Human's arrogance.

Lord Crossen's swordsmanship was unrivalled.
THEY SAY THERE WAS NO SWORD MASTER IN TRUVANIA AT THAT TIME WHO COULD STAND UP TO HIM, SO YOU CAN UNDERSTAND HOW STRONG HE WAS
BACK THEN PEOPLE BELIEVED HE WAS A MESSENGER SENT BY LORD VERHAJEL.
BECAUSE IT WAS THOUGHT IMPOSSIBLE FOR A HUMAN TO POSSESS SUCH SWORDSMANSHIP
WHEN LORD CROSSEN FIRST ARRIVED HERE NO ONE COULD COMMUNICATE WITH HIM.
SO, DUE TO CULTURAL DIFFERENCES, HE RESIGNED HIMSELF TO BEING MISUNDERSTOOD EVERYWHERE


THEREFORE, DESPITE HIS EXCELLENT SWORDSMANSHIP, HE STARTED WORKING AS MERCENARY IN ORDER TO SURVIVE.
EVERYDAY, HE WAS FORCED TO FIGHT KNIGHTS FOR WHOM HIS FAME MADE HIM A TARGET. BUT THEY SAY HE NEVER LOST ONCE DURING ALL THOSE BATTLES
BECAUSE OF THIS HE BECAME THE OBJECT OF ENVY FOR KNIGHTS FROM MANY COUNTRIES SINCE HE WAS ONLY A MERCENARY WITH NO TITLE IT WAS PERHAPS INEVITABLE.

One day, however, an accidental meeting took place that changed his entire destiny.

IN THE ICAROT CAPITAL WHERE HE WAS STAYING,
THE NOBILITY AND KNIGHTS WHO HAD MANAGED TO FLEE THE KINGDOM OF CROSSENA WHICH WAS ON THE VERGE OF ANNIHILATION FROM ORC ATTACKS, HAD SOUGHT REFUGE.
DURING HIS ASYLUM, HOWEVER, THE KING OF CROSSENA HAPPENED TO WITNESS ONE OF LORD CROSSEN'S BATTLES.

Inhuman swords-manship ...

THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN REVIVE OUR FALLEN COUNTRY IS THIS MAN.

They say the King of Crossena was utterly mesmerized by Lord Crossen's swordsmanship.

AND THE OLD KING OF CROSSENA IN ORDER TO REBUILD HIS KINGDOM THAT HAD BEEN CONQUERED BY THE ORCS MADE THE DIFFICULT DECISION TO HAND OVER HIS BEAUTIFUL [illegible] AND HIS TITLE AS LORD.

SENIOR STATESMEN FROM THE KINGDOM OF ICAROT WERE ASTONISHED BY THIS SHOCKING DECISION.

EVEN THOUGH IT WAS A CONQUERED KINGDOM, SUCH AN EVENT WAS UNPRECEDENTED.

THE KING OF CROSSENA DIDN'T WAVER HOWEVER, AND WENT AHEAD AS A RESULT, LORD CROSSEN WAS OFFICIALLY GRANTED THE KINGDOM OF CROSSENA.

HIS NAME CROSSEN, WAS ALSO GIVEN AT THAT TIME. NO ONE IN TRUVANIA PROBABLY KNOWS HIS REAL NAME.

AT THE TIME, IT WAS THOUGHT TO BE AN ABSURD DECISION. IN RETROSPECT HOWEVER, IT TURNED OUT THAT THE KING OF CROSSEN WAS AN EXCELLENT JUDGE OF CHARACTER.

AS SOON AS HE LEARNED OUR LANGUAGE, LORD CROSSEN'S TRUE VALUE WAS SHOWN

NOT ONLY WAS A SKILLFUL SWORD MASTER BUT ALSO HIS LEADERSHIP ABILITIES WERE ON PAR WITH THAT!

LORD CROSSEN USED HIS EXCELLENT ABILITIES TO IMMEDIATELY WIN THE HEARTS OF FIVE HUNDRED DEMORALIZED KNIGHTS

WHAT FOLLOWED WAS A UNIQUE TRAINING REGIMEN FOR THE KNIGHTS THAT ONLY HE KNEW. IT WAS ALL TO RESTORE THE KINGDOM OF CROSSENA AS PROMISED

JUST ONE PERSON HAD DESTROYED A BELIEF HELD FOR THOUSANDS OF YEARS

HALF OF THE FIVE HUNDRED KNIGHTS WHO TRAINED USING LORD CROSSEN'S CENTRAL DISTRICT TECHNIQUE ACHIEVED THE RANK OF SWORD MASTER WITHIN JUST TEN YEARS.

THIS GAVE THEM MORE SWORD MASTERS THAN TRUVANIA'S STRONGEST KINGDOM, ICAROT, WHICH ONLY HAD ABOUT TWO HUNDRED.

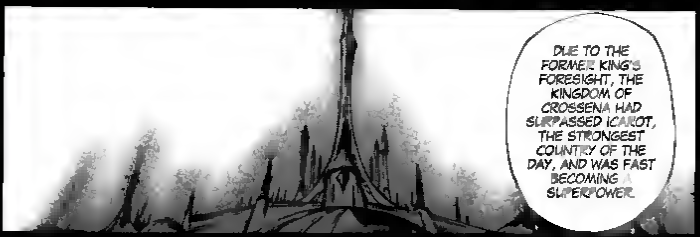
EVERY KINGDOM INCLUDING ICAROT, COULDN'T HELP BUT BE SHOCKED BY THIS.

AT THAT TIME, IN THE CONTINENT OF TRUVANIA, IT WAS SO DIFFICULT TO ATTAIN THE RANK OF SWORD MASTER THAT THOSE WHO DID WERE CONSIDERED BEINGS SENT BY GOD

COUNTLESS KNIGHTS TRAINED RISKING THEIR LIVES, BUT THERE WERE FEW WHO ATTAINED THE RANK OF SWORD MASTER.

THE POWER OF THE KNIGHT SQUAD TRAINED BY LORD CROSSEN WAS UNIMAGINABLE. THEY OBLITERATED TWENTY THOUSAND ORCS IN ONE WEEK ALONE AND RECLAIMED MOST OF CROSSENA'S ANNEXED LAND

AFTER HIS EXCELLENT SKILLS AND STARTLING FAST WERE REVEALED, MANY KNIGHTS AND YOUNG MEN VOLUNTEERED, AND AS A RESULT, THE CROSSENIAN ARMY BECAME INCREDIBLY POWERFUL.
THEY SAY THAT EVEN THE BRUTAL ORCS WHO DIDN'T FEAR DEATH, FLED WHEN THEY SAW CROSSENA'S FLAG


DUE TO THE FORMER KING'S FORESIGHT, THE KINGDOM OF CROSSENA HAD SURPASSED ICARIOT, THE STRONGEST COUNTRY OF THE DAY, AND WAS FAST BECOMING A SUPERPOWER.

BUT, NO MATTER HOW STRONG CROSSENA'S ARMY HAD BECOME, THEY COULD NOT OVERCOME THE OVERALL DIFFERENCE IN NUMBERS

LORD CROSSEN THEREFORE MADE A DECISION TO TURN THIS AROUND
THE PLAN WAS TO LEAD A CAREFULLY SELECTED SQUAD OF KNIGHTS INTO THE ORC CLAN'S BASE AND STEAL THEIR CONTRACT

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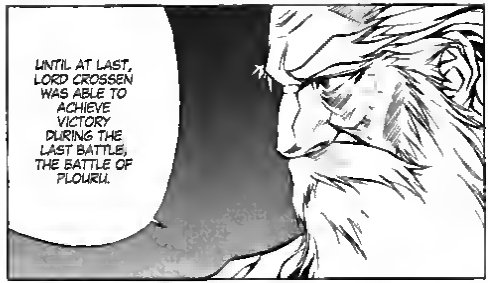
LIKE I MENTIONED BEFORE, LORD CROSSEN'S PLAN WAS A SUCCESS
NOW BRIMMING WITH CONFIDENCE, THE SOLDIERS HE'D TRAINED DROVE THE ORC CLANS BACK LIKE NEVER BEFORE


UNTIL AT LAST, LORD CROSSEN WAS ABLE TO ACHIEVE VICTORY DURING THE LAST BATTLE, THE BATTLE OF PLOURU.

BUT THE PROBLEM DIDN'T END THERE.
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AS A PRICE FOR DISOBEYING LORD VERHAJEL'S WILL, AND STARTING A WAR BETWEEN THE RACES.
...WE HUMANS WERE MADE TO SUFFER UNIMAGINABLE TRIBULATIONS.

THREE TIMES...!!!

TRIBULA-TIONS...?!

THE FIRST TRIBULATION WAS DISCORD BETWEEN LORD CROSSEN AND THOSE AT THE CENTER OF POWER...

IT WAS CALLED THE WAR OF RELIGION...

THE SECOND ONE WAS STRIFE BETWEEN THE ARMY OF DARKNESS LED BY THE DEMON LORD NARIDAWAKIL AND HUMANITY...

LATER CALLED "BLOODY MOON"...

THE THIRD ONE IS...

WAR BETWEEN THE DRACO-ORCEN ALLIANCE AND MANKIND

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ANYWAY, THANKS TO THE WAR BETWEEN THE RACES LORD CROSSEN'S STATURE HAS RISEN TO THAT OF HERO AMONG HUMANS

NO ONE HAD EXPECTED THERE TO BE REPERCUSSIONS FROM THAT

THE WAR AGAINST THE ORCS WAS JUST THE BEGINNING OF CONSTANT WAR

First tribulation... religious strife between humans considered to be the worst in human history.
I don't in believe Verhajel I only believe in my own talent and effort
I am the master of my own fate! God is merely an after-thought
The stir caused by those words was amazing. At the time, The Church of Verhajel was incredibly influential and denying the existence of god was considered heresy
Due to his distinguished military service and the feats he performed during the War of Races, every Truvanian, including knights and common soldiers, was deeply captivated.
OBVIOUSLY, EVERY KING WAS INCREDIBLY WARY OF LORD CROSSEN.
AND IN THE END, JUDGMENT WAS PRONOUNCED BY THE CHURCH OF VERHAJEL.
Lord Crossen of the Kingdom of Crossena has committed a grave offence by repudiating God.
Therefore every one of his accomplishments during the war is null and void and will be brought before the court
Lord Crossen was not going to accept this.

Since Lord Crossen did not acquiesce, Kings from every country formed an alliance to fight Lord Crossen's army.
Until the continent of Truvania was rife with conflict between believer and non-believer.
Kings from every country singled out potential sympathizers with Lord Crossen, labeled them as apostates, and sent them to the religious tribunal before all-out war.
Burn him at the stake!
Public executions that could only be considered genocide, began.
To top it off it was perpetrated by the very kings to whom they'd given their loyalty just a short time before.
After the purge was complete the kings' warriors turned their attention to Lord Crossen. Hence, internecine conflict between humans was about to be begin.
At the last minute though Lord Crossen proposed a compromise. He'd never actually thought his words would have the impact they did.
At that time, the Church of Verhajel had no choice but to accept the proposal.
WE'LL GO TO THE CONTINENT OF ARCADIA.
FINE. IF YOU CAN'T ACCEPT MY BELIEFS I'LL LEA
They had no knights or armies that could surpass Lord Crossen.

AND SO, LORD CROSSEN BEGAN HIS LONG OCEANIC JOURNEY TO CONTINENT OF ARCADIA TO BUILD A NEW COUNTRY WHERE FREEDOM OF RELIGION WAS GUARANTEED
AND MANY KNIGHTS FROM EVERY COUNTRY WHO WERE DISCONTENTED WITH THE DICTATORSHIP OF CHURCH OF VERHAJEL FOLLOWED HIM
THE NUMBER OF KNIGHTS WHO FOLLOWED LORD CROSSEN WAS UNIMAGINABLE.
KNIGHTS WHO WERE DISPLEASED WITH THE DICTATORSHIP OF THE CHURCH OF VERHAJEL
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ALTHOUGH DUE TO THAT, EVERY COUNTRY'S DEFENSES WERE GREATLY WEAKENED
IN THE END WE WERE ONLY HURTING OURSELVES. NO ONE EXPECTED THE DEMON LORD OF DARKNESS NARIDAWAKIL TO RUN RAMPANT WHILE WE WERE IN THAT CONDITION.

DEMON LORD OF DARK-NESS...?!
THE SECOND TRIBULATION THAT WAS INFLICTED ON THE HUMAN WORLD...
THE WAR OF DARKNESS THAT LATER BECAME KNOWN AS THE TRIBULATION OF THE BLOODY MOON BY THE HISTORIANS, BROKE OUT WHEN HUMAN POWER WAS AT AN ALL-TIME LOW
THE ARMY OF DARKNESS, WHICH IS MADE UP OF THE UNDEAD, BEGAN INVADING

THE ARMY OF DARKNESS RECEIVED THEIR POWERS FROM THE ONE WHO GOVERNS DEATH, THE DEMON LORD OF DARKNESS... NARIDAWAKIL.
THE BATTLE WITH THE DEMON LORD OF DARKNESS, NARIDAWAKIL, WAS SO DEVASTATING THAT HALF THE POPULATION OF THE CONTINENT OF TRUVANIA WAS WIPED OUT.
BECAUSE IT WAS A TIME WHEN HUMANS WERE AT THEIR WEAKEST, EACH COUNTRY'S LINE OF DEFENSE WAS NEEDLESSLY BREACHED.
IN ORDER TO OVERCOME THIS ORDEAL, ALL THE COUNTRIES IN THE CONTINENT OF TRUVANIA BANDED TOGETHER.
And so began a war for the fate of mankind.
WE SHOULDN'T BE GETTING PUSHED BACK LIKE THIS!
THE POWER OF THE UNITED MANKIND WAS TRULY ASTOUNDING. THE WAR THAT HAD SEEMED SO HOPELESS BEFORE SLOWLY STARTED TO TURN.

THE UNDEAD ARMY OF THE DEMON LORD NARIDAWAKIL, WHOSE TARGET WAS THE CONTRACT STONE, AND THE HUMAN ALLIANCE ..

CLASHED ON THE BATTLEFIELD OF ICAROT WITH THE FATE OF MANKIND IN THE BALANCE.

UNTIL FINALLY, WE WERE ABLE TO DEFEAT THE DEMON LORD NARIDAWAKIL.

OF COURSE, IT ALSO HAD TO DO WITH LORD VERHAJEL WATCHING OVER US...

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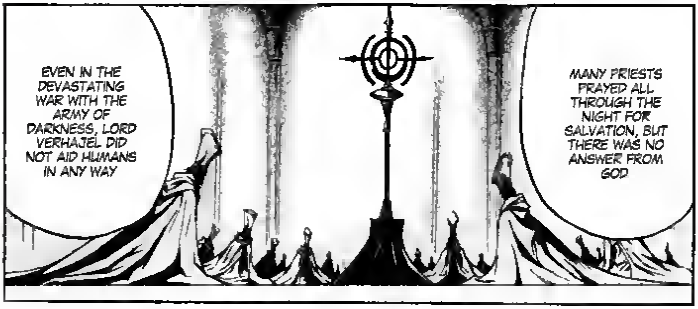
IT SEEMS THERE'S AN INSIDE STORY BEHIND THAT VICTORY.

YOU'RE QUITE SHARP. YES, YOU'RE RIGHT.
IF IT WASN'T FOR LORD CROSSEN AND THE KNIGHTS WHO WENT OVER TO ARCADIA'S SUPPORT, NO ONE IN TRUVANIA WOULD HAVE SURVIVED


EVEN IN THE DEVASTATING WAR WITH THE ARMY OF DARKNESS, LORD VERHAJEL DID NOT AID HUMANS IN ANY WAY
MANY PRIESTS PRAYED ALL THROUGH THE NIGHT FOR SALVATION, BUT THERE WAS NO ANSWER FROM GOD

WHAT ACTUALLY HALTED THE ARMY OF DARKNESS'S ADVANCE WAS THE SACRIFICE OF MANY MEN.
THE COUNTLESS HEROES AND SOLDIERS WHO DIED HONORABLY ON THE BATTLEFIELD PLAYED A PART IN REPELLING THE ARMY OF DARKNESS.

THAT'S HOW THE SECOND TRIBULATION ON THE CONTINENT WAS AVERTED THANKS TO LORD CROSSEN WHOM THEY HAD EXPELLED
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BUT NOT ONE KING ON THE TRUVANIAN CONTINENT WAS GRATEFUL FOR LORD CROSSEN'S HELP.

INSTEAD, THEY STARTED ACCUSING LORD CROSSEN AGAIN TO PROTECT THEIR OWN POSITION.

In the end, Lord Crossen became enraged.

YOU'RE ROTTEN TO THE CORE!

I'LL NEVER SET FOOT IN THIS PLACE EVER AGAIN!!

AS SOON AS THE WAR WAS OVER, LORD CROSSEN RETURNED TO HIS NEW COUNTRY, ARCADIA, WITHOUT EVEN LOOKING BACK.

BUT SOMETHING NO ONE HAD EXPECTED OCCURRED.

MANY TRUVANIANS EMBARKED AND FOLLOWED HIM.

AFTER THAT, WE, THE CHURCH OF VERHAJEL, BECAME INCREASINGLY WEAKER.

NOWADAYS, PEOPLE DON'T BELIEVE IN GOD UNDER NORMAL CIRCUMSTANCES.

What goes around comes around...

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KUKUKU...
USELESS POLITICIANS FEARFUL OF LOSING THEIR BREAD AND BUTTER...
THINGS ARE NO DIFFERENT HERE THAN IN THE CENTRAL DISTRICT...

WELL, IN THE END...
PEOPLE ARE PEOPLE WHEREVER THEY ARE...

IF THE WAR OF DARKNESS HAPPENED TWENTY YEARS AGO...
THAT LORD CROSSEN GUY MUST HAVE AGED QUITE A BIT.
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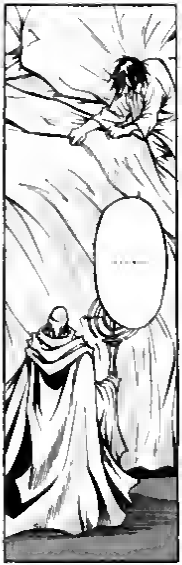
THAT'S RIGHT EVEN DURING THE WAR OF DARKNESS, HE WAS FULL OF WHITE HAIR...

HE'D BE MUCH OLDER NOW...



THE STORY'S ALMOST FINISHED. I'M COMING TO THE END NOW...

I'LL ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU HAVE AFTER THIS LAST PART.

TRY LOOKING DIRECTLY INTO THIS. YOU'LL UNDERSTAND BETTER.

WH- WHAT IS THAT?

THIS IS A MAGICAL ORB

JUST THINK OF IT AS A MAGICAL DEVICE THAT CAN STORE A PERSON'S MEMORY

MEMO-RIZE.....

HU UGH! S-SOMEONE'S INSIDE THE ORB...?!

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IS THIS EVEN POSSI-BLE?!
DON'T BE SO SURP-RISED.
THERE'S NOT AN ACTUAL PERSON INSIDE, RATHER IT'S A REENACTED MEMORY.
D-DOES THAT MEAN THAT WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THERE IS SOMETHING THAT HAPPENED IN THE PAST?!
THAT'S RIGHT...
DAMN, TO THINK SUCH MAGIC EXISTS.
Old man, tell me that beforehand.

Our continent of Truvania is facing a third tribulation.
THE WAR WITH THE DRACO-ORC ALLIANCE.

Orcs and Dragons... Each of them alone is hard to handle but in addition to our contract loss, we're looking at the worst case scenario.

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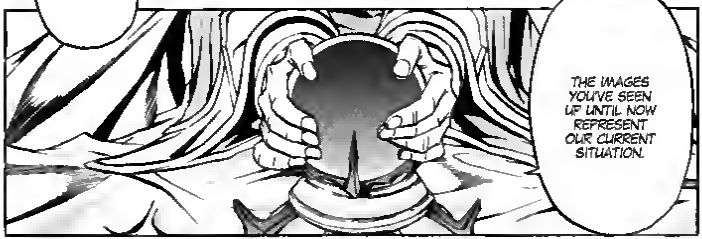
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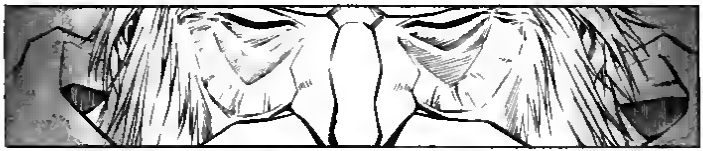

T-THIS IS AMAZING.
ORCS WHO CHARGE IN WITH THEIR NUMBERS, AND DRAGONS WITH THEIR INCREDIBLY DESTRUCTIVE POWERS...
THEY COMPLEMENT EACH OTHER. IT'S LIKE A SYMBIOTIC RELATIONSHIP WHERE EACH ONE MAKES UP FOR THE OTHER'S WEAKNESSES.
THAT'S RIGHT. DUE TO THAT, THE FATE OF TRIVANIA HANGS IN THE BALANCE.

HALF OF THE CONTINENT IS ALREADY IN THEIR HANDS.

THE REMAINING KINGDOMS TRIED TO WORK TOGETHER, BUT IT WASN'T ENOUGH

!

THEN WHY DIDN'T YOU ASK FOR HELP FROM ARCADIA?

IF WHAT YOU SAID IS TRUE, THAT LORD CROSSEN GUY HAS THE ABILITY TO HELP OUT...

BECAUSE THE RULERS OF EVERY NATION REJECTED THE IDEA.

THEY COULDN'T STAND THE THOUGHT OF LORD CROSSEN ONCE AGAIN DARKENING THEIR DOORSTEP THEY UTTERLY REFUSED THE SUGGESTION, RATIONALIZING THAT THE LORD WOULD BE OLD.
THOSE BASTARDS ARE AS ROTTEN AS LORD CROSSEN SAID!!
True self revealed
MY NORMAL WAY OF TALKING JUST SLIPPED OUT OF MY MOUTH
HAHA HA~

PLEASE DON'T BE TOO ANGRY THE PEOPLE WHO'VE BROUGHT YOU HERE ARE THOSE VERY KINGS

THOSE BASTARDS DID?!

YES, THAT IS RIGHT

DUE TO THE STUBBORNNESS OF OUR RULERS, WE, TRUVANIA,

LOST THE CHANCE TO SEEK SUPPORT FROM ARCADIA.

THE R[illegible] OF THE THIRD TRIBULATION [illegible] THE DRAGONS... ESPECIALLY THEIR LORD, A SILVER DRAGON WHO CONTROLS WATER.

DUE TO THAT, THE SEA ROUTE BETWEEN THE TWO CONTINENTS HAS BEEN COMPLETELY CUT OFF.

ARE YOU SAYING THAT THOSE DRAGONS HAVE RENDERED THE SEA IMPASSABLE BETWEEN HERE AND ARCADIA?!

THAT'S RIGHT. SILVER DRAGON KRANUS HAS ABSOLUTE CONTROL OVER WATER...

HE CHANGED THE TIDAL CURRENT BETWEEN TWO CONTINENTS THROUGH MAGIC.

NOW, AS A RESULT, COUNTLESS TORNADOS APPEAR BETWEEN THE TWO CONTINENTS THAT CAN'T BE AVOIDED NO MATTER THE SIZE OF THE SHIP.

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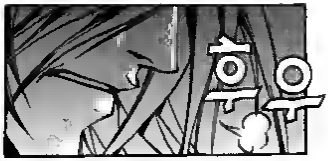
THAT ISN'T THE ONLY PROBLEM. KRANUS HAS CAST AN INCREDIBLE SPACE WARPING SPELL OVER THE SEA.

SO, WE'RE IN A SITUATION WHERE WE CAN'T EVEN TELEPORT TO ARCADIA.

BASICALLY, TRUVANIA AND ARCADIA ARE COMPLETELY ISOLATED.

SO WE WERE SENT TO BRING BACK ANOTHER GRAND SWORD MASTER...
U-UNBELIEVABLE. EVEN IF IT'S A DRAGON, TO THINK IT'D HAVE SUCH POWER.
...FROM ANOTHER DIMENSION AS LORD CROSSEN'S REPLACEMENT.

THAT'S HOW WE ENDED UP IN WHAT YOU CALL CENTRAL DISTRICT.
SO THAT'S WHAT HAPPENED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I FINALLY UNDERSTAND THE SITUATION NOW...

I don't blame them for trying, but they made a big mistake by choosing the wrong target...

They brought me here without knowing I'd used up all my energy fighting.

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HERO-NIM...

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NO, I'M NO HERO. BETTER TO CALL ME A DEMON.

THAT FITS ME WAY BETTER.

ARE YOU SAYING YOUR NAME IS DEMON?!

NO, THAT'S NOT IT JUST TO BE CLEAR, MY NAME IS DOK GO SUNG

DOK 獨, GO 孤, SUNG! 成!

BY ONE SELF (獨) SOLITARILY (孤) ACCOMPLISHES (成) WHAT A STRANGE NAME.

ANYWAY, IT'S FINE IN ORDER TO STAY HERE, YOU'D NEED A NAME, SO I'LL MAKE A NAME THAT FITS THAT MEANING

N-NO YOU DON'T HAVE TO DO THAT MUCH...!

DAMON SOLO

HOW ABOUT IT?

SOLO FITS BEST WITH THE SURNAME, 'DOK GO'

AS FOR THE NAME DEMON, YOU PROBABLY SHOULDN'T USE IT HERE.

DAMON MIGHT BE PREFE-RABLE...

I DON'T CARE

IF IT'S EASIER TO PRONOUNCE, THEN GO RIGHT AHEAD

THEN, DAMON...

DO YOU UNDERSTAND WHY WE'VE INVITED YOU HERE?

YES...

IN THAT CASE,

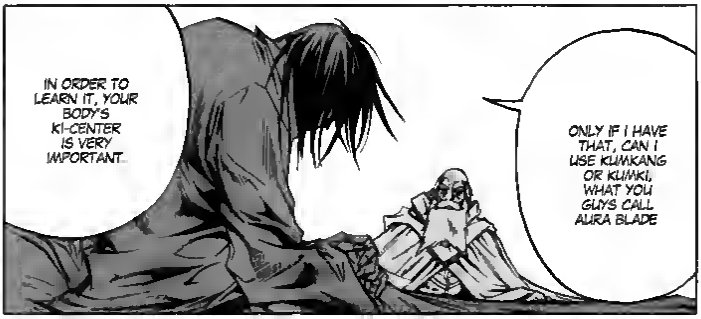
YOU'LL DEFINITELY

HELP US, RIGHT?

SAD TO SAY, BUT I CAN'T HELP...

EVEN IF THIS IS ANOTHER WORLD, WE'RE ALL STILL HUMAN BEINGS!
I TOLD YOU EVERYTHING ABOUT THE SITUATION OUR CONTI-NENT'S IN RIGHT NOW!
W-WHY...?!
THAT'S WHY IT SADDENS ME SO MUCH THAT I CAN'T...
SURE, THERE'S NOTHING I WOULD LIKE TO DO MORE THAN HELP YOU...
BECAUSE...
HOWEVER, YOU'VE CHOSE THE WRONG GUY.
IN OTHER WORDS, I'M NO DIFFERENT FROM A NORMAL PERSON ACTUALLY, I'VE BECOME A CRIPPLE WHO CAN'T EVEN LIFT A SWORD!
I'VE CURRENTLY LOST ALL OF MY POWERS

W-WHAT..
DO YOU MEAN BY THAT..?!
I DON'T KNOW HOW WARRIORS HERE TRAIN BUT BACK IN MY WORLD, WE LEARN SOMETHING CALLED 'NAEGAGIGONG.'


IN ORDER TO LEARN IT, YOUR BODY'S KI-CENTER IS VERY IMPORTANT...
ONLY IF I HAVE THAT, CAN I USE KUMKANG OR KUMKI, WHAT YOU GUYS CALL AURA BLADE

A-ALL THE MANA IN YOUR BODY IS GONE...?!
HOWEVER, I LOST THE USE OF IT
DURING THE DESPERATE STRUGGLE TO ESCAPE, MY INNER ENERGY OR WHAT YOU GUYS CALL MANA, WAS USED UP COMPLETELY

DO YOU UNDERSTAND NOW?
THE REASON WHY I CAN'T HELP EVEN IF I WANTED TO...

UM...
IN OUR WORLD, THERE IS A MAGIC SPELL CALLED SEEK MANA FORCE.
IT DETECTS THE ABSOLUTE QUANTITY OF MANA STORED INSIDE SOMEONE'S BODY
I'LL CAST THE MAGIC TO CHECK IF WHAT YOU'VE SAID IS TRUE. SO PLEASE BEAR WITH ME.
BE MY GUEST

How, how can this be...!
SEEK MANA FORCE!
AFTER ALL THAT HARD-SHIP...
WE EVEN SUCCEEDED IN CREATING A DIMEN-SIONAL RIFT...!
Not only did we not bring a master, we brought someone who can't even stack up against a normal soldier!
The mana in his body is not even that of a normal human's!

I FIND NOT BEING ABLE TO HELP...
UNFORTUNATE TOO
I UNDERSTAND
F-FIRST...
I WILL HAVE TO REPORT THIS TO KING ROSENGART
A-AND
THANKS FOR LISTENING TO MY STORY SO ATTENTIVELY
HOWEVER I BELIEVE THIS MIGHT BE THE LAST TIME WE MIGHT SEE EACH OTHER, MR. DAMON

THEN, FOR NOW...
I-IS THAT TRUE?
HE'S LOST ALL HIS POWER?! I CANNOT BELIEVE THIS!!
IT IS THE TRUTH HOWEVER.
HOW CAN THAT BE ?!
I HAVE TO SEE FOR MYSELF.
!!

I THINK HE IS TRYING TO DECEIVE US

I'M NOT SURE WHY HE WON'T HELP US...

WELL, IF HE STICKS TO HIS STORY TO THE END...

Sergey Von Nerman

PRIME MINISTER OF THE KINGDOM OF ICAROT.

..THE TRUTH WILL COME OUT WHEN WE PIT HIM AGAINST THE MONSTERS FROM THE UNDERGROUND PRISON

KUKUKU ...

HOW DARE HE TRY TO FOOL US...!

<다크메이지> ④권을 기대해주세요!!~

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